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DEVICE AND ITS PROCESS FOR AUTOMATICALLY MANAGING THE FLOW OF DIGITAL DATA FROM A HOST BETWEEN A COMMON INTERFACE AND ITS ASSOCIATED MODULES

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, the accompanying documents, copies of which are attached to this statement, are made of record on the enclosed sheet.

A concise explanation of the relevance of these items is that these references were cited by the European Patent Office in the corresponding International application Serial No. PCT/FR99/01447, filed June 16, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

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